

Dear Sir/Madam.

I am very concerned about the Government's plans to cut Marine Protection areas. Considering the pressures on our oceans and the severe damage being done in other parts of the world where protection is absent or minimal, it is imperative that we do our best to protect as much of our Marine Heritage as possible.

Our existing marine protected areas were barely a minimum. To propose further cuts is irresponsible and is walking away from our responsibilities as stewards of our natural resources. The current Government does not have a good record for protecting our environment and reducing Marine protection can only be seen to justify this assertion.

Don't wind back protection of our marine resources, regards Dave Reynolds